(b) Following places in Karnataka are covered by the F.M. channels, as of now:

1.	Bangalore	7.	Hospet
2.	Bellary	8.	Karwar
3.	Bijapur	9.	Mangalore
4.	Chitradurga	10.	Mercara
5.	Dharwad	11.	Mysore
6.	Hassan	12.	Raichur

(c) to (e) Three new F.M. transmitters at Bellary, Gulbarga and Sringeri are proposed to be set up in the State during the Tenth Five Year Plan. Besides, low power F.M. transmitters are also planned in some uncovered pockets. After completion of the Tenth Plan schemes, which will depend on the approval and availability of funds, coverage of 41.35% of population through F.M. Signals and a combined coverage of 98.75% of population through MW and F.M. transmitters is expected to be attained in the State.

Digital Captive Earth Stations and down linking facilities to AIR Stations

3335. SHRI C. PERUMAL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether digital captive earth stations and down link facilities have been provided to certain All India Radio stations;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when the remaining stations would be provided with the facility?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Details of the digital uplink and downlink facilities are given in the Statement I & II respectively (*See* below)

(c) By the end of the 10th Plan, all the State Capital Stations are expected to be provided Digital Captive Earth Stations (Uplink and Downlink) and all stations are planned to have Digital Downlink facility.

The schemes will be implemented subject to approval and availability of funds.

Statement I

List Of Digital Uplinks Stations Already Available

1.	Jallandhar	
2.	Raipur	
3.	Ranchi	
4.	Shimla	
5.	Itanagar	
6.	Trivandrum	Under installation
7.	Bangalore	
8.	Ahmedabad	Under installation
9.	Bhopal	Under installation
10.	Patna	
11.	Guwahati	
12.	Cuttack	
13.	Lucknow	
14.	Hyderabad	
15.	Jaipur	
16.	Chennai	
17.	Jammu	
18.	Srinagar	
19.	Shillong	
20.	Aizawl	
21.	Kohima	
22.	imphal	

Statement II

List Of Air Stations/Transmitting Centres Where Digital Downlink Rn Terminals Are Available

1.	Jodhpur	38.	Gulbarga
2.	Lucknow	39.	Trichur
3.	Jalandhar	40.	Coimbatore
4.	Shimla	41.	Madurai
5.	Jammu	42.	Trinelveli
6.	HPT Khampur	43.	Pondicherry
7.	Tuticorin	44.	Rohtak
8.	Port Blair	45.	Leh
9.	Trivandrum	46.	Bikaner
10.	Itanagar	47.	Udaipur
11.	SPT. Panaji	48.	Suratgarh
12.	Imphal	49.	Varanasi
13.	SPT. Nagpur	50.	Rampur
14.	Aizawl	51.	Najibabad
15.	Jabalpur	52.	Delhi (Kingsway)
16.	Kohima	53.	Bhuj
17.	Gangtok	54.	Gwalior
18.	Chandi	55.	Raipur
19.	Patna	56.	Rewa
20.	Jeypore	57.	Jalgaon
21.	Passighat	58.	Parbhani
22.	Tawang	59.	Sangli
23.	Tezu	60.	HPT Nangli
24.	Silchar	61.	Jaipur
25.	Dibrugarh	62.	Vadodara
26.	Ranchi	63.	Rajkot
27.	Shillong	64.	Nagpur
28.	Tura	65.	Srinagar
29.	Sambalpur	66.	Jamshedpur
30.	Bhawanipatna	67.	Calicut
31.	Agartala	68.	Calcutta
32.	Kurseong	69.	Tiruchirapalli
33.	Siliguri	70.	Cochin
34.	Vijayawada	71.	Chandigarh
35.	Vishakhapatnam	72.	Kanpur
36.	Cuddapah	73.	Allahabad
37.	Bhadrawati	74.	Pune